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SCOTTSDALE MAN INDICTED ON MULTIPLE TAX CHARGES

Failed to file federal tax returns for 1999-2002

PHOENIX - A federal grand jury here returned a four-count indictment against William J. Anderson, 52, of Scottsdale, Ariz, who allegedly willfully failed to make an income tax return to the Internal Revenue Service for calendar years 1999 through 2002 as required by law even though he had sufficient income. The indictment alleges that Anderson received gross income in excess of \$12,700 in 1999; \$12,950 in 2000; \$13,400 in 2001 and \$13,850 in 2002.

A conviction for each count of Willful Failure to File Return, Supply Information, or Pay Tax carries a maximum penalty of not more than one year in prison, a \$25,000 fine or both. In determining an actual sentence, the assigned judge will consult the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, which provide appropriate sentencing ranges. The judge, however, is not bound by those guidelines in determining a sentence.

An indictment is simply the method by which a person is charged with criminal activity and raises no inference of guilt. An individual is presumed innocent until competent evidence is presented to a jury that establishes guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

The investigation preceding the indictment was conducted by special agents of the Criminal Investigation of the Internal Revenue Service. The prosecution was handled by Howard Sukenic, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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